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Not Enough Pennies

(Winchester Star)

Against all copybook maxims, the slogan now is: "Don't save your pennies."

With a copper shortage on, and the mint hard put to keep up with the current booming demand for the coins, Uncle Sum is asking hoarders to get out their cookie jar and piggy bank collections. Not that a spending spree is in order. It is even thrifter, says the Treasury Department, to save in larger amounts and invest in interest-paying U. S. bonds.

By legislation passed in 1864 U. S. pennies must contain 95 per cent copper, plus a 5 per cent mixture of tin and zinc, says the National Geographic Society.

At present it is estimated there are 18,367,792,333 pennies outstanding, which by no means indicate an equivalent number in actual circulation. Many are held by collectors and savers, and large numbers are concentrated in vending-machine and other big-scale operations.

Since the ratio of tin and zinc is not specified, the penny's tin content was reduced to a minimum soon after the United States entered World War II. An emergency issue of zinc-coated steel cents was struck in 1943, their composition determined by the necessity for conserving precious copper and other strategic metals.

So unpopular were the gray coins, however, that this minting was discontinued after that year, and many have been retired when turned in. Mutilated against further use as money, they have gone into scrap to make such things as rails, wire, and structural steel. Instead of steel the mint was authorized to use expended brass shell cases as the raw material for one-cent pieces.

The first coin authorized by the U. S. Congress was a cent bearing the date 1787. A big pure-copper piece, it is known as the Fugio, or Franklin cent because Benjamin Franklin is believed to have inspired its motto, "Mind your business."

Following the establishment of the official U. S. Mint in 1792, came the all-copper "Liberty" cents, turned out with numerous die variations. It bears the head of a woman and a liberty cap on the front; a chain or wreath on the reverse. These, too, were big coins.

It was not until 1857 that the now familiaar small pennies were minted. The first ones were of Flying Eagle design and were retained only until 1858. Indian Head cents were issued from 1859 to 1 09.

Before Congress established the present content of cents, Flying Eagle and Indian Head coins were made of 88 per cent copper and 12 per cent nickel. The resulting "white penny", paled by the nickel ingredient, has been of special interest to collectors.

The Treasury's latest and current cent, the Lincoln Head, was first struck in 1909. Pennies of that year, bearing the initial S (for the San Francisco Mint), and V. D. B. (for the initials of the designer, Victor D. Brenner) have the highest book value because of their relative scarcity. This scarcity came about when the designer's initials were removed soon after minting was started.

Perhaps if copper and other metals remain in critical supply, paper pennies may be printed.

Germany and Western Defense

(From the London Daily Mirror)

We cannot go on fighting past wars forever, and we cannot forcibly hold western Germany down forever. It is inescapable that there should be a German contribution to the security of western Europe. The task of statesmanship is to build Germany into the framework of western co-operation in such a way that we may avoid the danger of her adventuring on her own.

Parking—Private or Public?

(Milwaukee Journal)

Parking lot operators, worried by the growing number of cities which are turning to municipally owned facilities to solve serious parking problems, have formed the National Parking association to do something about it.

Meeting in Chicago, the directors of the new organization lashed out at municipal ownership. Parking is a private problem, they said. It can be solved, said President B. M. Stanton of Norfolk, Va., by private enterprise in co-operation with city officials, property owners and merchants.

This is all very fine, and we're for it—if the new organization gets right to work providing parking spaces. But parking is not only a private problem, it's a public one, too. Almost every urban community in the nation, with Milwaukee right in the forefront, has critical need of off street facilities to store its nonmoving cars.

If private enterprise provides those needed facilities in adequate numbers, in adequate form and in time there will be no need of municipally owned parking facilities. If it doesn't, then municipal facilities are inevitable. It's all up to the private parking business and we wish it well.

Reds Lack "Will" for Peace

(Milwaukee Journal)

Anthony Eden, Britain's new foreign minister, offered the Russians "a second way to peace" in his first speech before the current United Nations assembly meeting in Paris.

If you are not ready to seek world peace in one jump—through over-all settlements or disarmament agreements—how about trying the step by step method, Eden asked Vishinsky, in effect.

"Let us grasp definite and limited problems, and work for their practical solution," he continued. "That is the way to make a fresh start."

Why not, he asked, start out with Korea? The UN, he explained, was ready to make another great effort to bring about pacification and unification of that country.

And what about Germany? Why not reduce European tension by finding agreemtn through which east and west Germany could be united through "free and secret elections?"

Finally, why not sign the Austrian treaty? "Can we not," said Mr. Eden, "bring to this small country evidence that the great powers can agree on this one issue, and relieve them of the burden of the occupation? Cannot the Austrians be allowed at last to live and to live?"

Agreement in just one of these areas would bring hope to the world, the British foreign minister predicted. One positive achievement would do more to help the peace "than all the eloquence that the world's oratory can command."

There is nothing new about the "second way to peace," of course. The west has frequently proposed isolated negotiations on particular points of tension. It has repeatedly asked for "action, not words," in behalf of peace. Only twice have there been results. It was the "step by step" method that ended the Berlin blockade. It was the same method that brought Korean cease fire negotiations to their present point.

But there has been lacking on the Soviet side, what Eden termed necessary to the success of any method of peacemaking: "A fixed determination—and real good will."

Here, of course, are the rocks on which the "step by step" proposal of the British is likely to founder. The Russians have shown neither determination nor good will for peace at any time in the last five years. If they had shown such motivation, or were to show it tomorrow, the methods of arriving at the peace would not of themselves be too important.

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Maryland ends regular football undefeated and will play Tennessee in Sugar Bowl New Year's day.

FEEDER PIG SALES ARE ADVOCATED

A method of improving Virginia's marketing system for pigs through organized feeder pig sales is advocated by A. T. Lassiter, Jr., associate animal husbandman at V. P. I.

He says there are several sections in the state particularly well suited for the growing and sale of feeder pigs. On farms where extra grain is produced, and where ladino clover or some other good pasture is grown, a feeder pig program could be worked profitably into the farm operation.

To date only two feeder pig sales have been held in Virginia—those in Goochland County, where Lassiter says, the demand far exceeded the supply. He explains that the aim was to supply farmers in that area, who produce more pigs than needed for home consumption, a market, and also to provide commercial feeders and others a quality feeder pig.

At the first sale, it was evident that commercial feeders liked the idea, Lassiter says.

All pigs nominated for the sale were inspected by a sales committee and were: treated for internal parasites, were at least eight weeks old and weighed at least 50 pounds. All were thrifty and healthy; and all males were castrated before weaning.

At the second sale a marked improvement was evident in the quality of the feeders, and the average weight was greater, Lassiter says. The second consignment averaged 70 pounds and sold for an average of $16.64 per head.

He believes the Goochland sales is a ay point to improved marketing methods and another source of income for Virginia farmers.

Open House At Camp Pickett

Richmond, Va., Nov. 28.- The Virginia State Chamber of Commerce will hold a day-long open house at Camp Pickett on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, R. H. Bagby, of Alexandria, president of the State Chamber announced.

Members of the Virginia Chamber will officially welcome to Virginia the Camp's new commanding officer, Brigadier General Loyal M. Haynes, as a part of the open house program.

After the welcoming ceremony for the general, Army officers will conduct the visitors throug the various sections of the post, giving the businessmen a chance to inspect units according to their interest in them.

Luncheon will be served in various enlisted men's mess halls.

After lunch the entire group will view general equipment and facilities of the post and an Army small-business representative will be on hand to explain Army procurement. The tour will include a visit to the rifle range.

The day will end with a reception in the Officers Club and a special retreat parade.

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Locust Grove

Locust Grove, Nov. 27.- Mr. and Mrs. James Mustain, Mrs. Alice [illegible] of Richmond spent Sunday of last week with Miss Edna and Mrs. [illegible] E. Megginson. Mrs. Mattie W. [illegible] is spending some time in the same home.

Those who spent Thanksgiving and part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Beale were Mr. Jim Meggin[illegible] and son from Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. James Beale and daughter, and Clarence Beale, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Beale and daughter and Everett Beale.

Mrs. Lula Beale and Jim Meggin[illegible] until bedtime Saturday night with their sister, Mrs. Holmes Marks of Lynchburg. They also visited Mrs. Marks, who is patient in the General Hospital.

Mr. Polly Beale spent several days last week with Miss Marie Millner of Spout Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette were on Friday night in the home of Mrs. Beale.

Miss Margaret Beale and daughter, Mrs. Lula Beale and Etta Beale, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Beale were afternoon.

The community was saddened by the death of Mrs. Ella Carter. We sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Braxton Garrette returned home Monday after spending two weeks in Arkansas with her par-

Friends are glad to see Braxton out after a spell of sick-

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Nov. 27.- Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] and daughter, of Asheville, N. C., spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Wilton.

Mrs. Harry Reynolds and Mrs. [illegible] Ferguson spent Friday in Lynchburg.

Mr. William Moon and family, of [illegible] spent several days of last week in the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moon and son, Lynchburg spent Thursday in the [illegible] home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mayberry, of Lynchburg visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mayberry Sunday.

Mrs. Tommy DeBusk and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cawthorne over the week-end.

Mrs. Woodson, Mrs. Reed and son were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ferguson Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Chick continues sick.

A reception was given at the Spout Spring Baptist Church Sunday to honor the Rev. G. E. Hughes and family. Refreshments were served and the honorees presented a silver offering.

Mrs. W. J. Walton and daughter, Louise spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. George Carson.

Mrs. Wesley Martin, who has been ill for several days, is better.

Sonny Martin, who is a student at Hampden-Sydney College, spent the week-end at home.

Rocks

Rocks, Nov. 26.- Thanksgiving passed off very quietly around here.

School closed Wednesday for the holidays.

Ned Almond was in the neighborhood last Tuesday.

L. K. Almond accompanied his brother, Ned to Lynchburg for a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Anderson, of Shawnee, Kansas arrived here Tuesday to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Anderson.

Quite a few farmers were on the market today selling tobacco.

Robert Roach was sawing wood for G. T. Marsh Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh had several of their children for Thanksgiving Day. Also Mr. and Mrs. Layne and son, of Lynchburg. Robert Roach and Cassie Baldwin were in the same home for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ranson and children, of Bristol, Tennessee spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Cal Ranson.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inge was held Saturday night with Mrs. C. S. Ranson.

Quite a few from here attended the funeral of Trooper Robert W. Smith at Pamplin on Friday afternoon.

A deer was killed here Saturday.

Cassie Baldwin spent last Sunday afternoon with her aunt, Mrs. J. Henry Wilkerson, at Prospect.

Rev. Tearle Brown conducted the Thanksgiving service Thursday night at Rocks Church. A large crowd was out.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Elder and Mr. Myers were in Lynchburg one day last week.

Randolph Marsh spent a few days here last week, returning to Norfolk Thursday.

Louise Ranson celebrated her birthday last Saturday.

Stonewall

Stonewall, Nov. 27. We are so glad to see the weather a little warmer than last week.

Our community was saddened last Friday to get the news that a fine young man had passed on to his reward, Mr. Max Wheeler. He was raised near here and in early life he moved to Spout Spring and spent the rest of his short life there. We want to express our deepest sympathy to his wife and brothers and other kin. He will be greatly missed by a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks Jennings had as their dinner guests on Sunday the Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Hughes and children and Mr. and Mrs. George Jennings and children. The Rev. and Mrs. Hughes and children are moving today to their new home near Norfolk. Our best wishes to this fine couple in their new home, and may they be happy there. They will be greatly missed here by their many friends.

Miss Elsie Thornhill, of Waynesboro spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Thornhill.

Dan Carson is attending the meeting of the 4-H Clubs in Chicago this week. We wish to congratulate him on winning the trip.

Mrs. Lula Taylor is spending this week with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Stratton and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Smith and son, David, of Lynchburg visited her sister, Mrs. Lester Carson and Mr. Carson on Sunday.

Mr. E. L. Chick and H. F. Drinkard called to see J. E. Chick Monday evening. Mr. Chick is on the sick list, but glad to report that he is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard visited his sister, Mrs. Chatt Chapman, who is ill in the Memorial Hospital, on last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cabell Miller and children, of Massie's Mill visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Caldwell for the holidays.

Route One

Route One, Nov. 27.- Mrs. Bud Carter and children have been visiting in the ome of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otey Jones.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Jones Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Elisher Jones and children, Jimmy, Jerry, Linda and Ralph, of Richmond; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Padgett, Mrs. Edna Padget, and daughters, Myris and Martha, of Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Jennings, of Stonewall visited their daughter, Mrs. Elliott Nash Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Landon Hudson and family, of Newport News, visited Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hudson Thanksgiving. Others visiting in this home were Mr. and Mrs. Horace Goad, and Mr. Albert Lee, of Lynchburg; Mr. Bill Wilkerson, of Burmington, N. C.; Miss Rosa Shupe, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hudson, Irvin Hudson, and Ray Hudson, USN.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rosser and daughter, Betty Shearon visited Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rector on Sunday.

Rev. Richard Jones, of Lawrenceville, accompanied by his father, Mr. John Jones and brother, Booker Jones and family, visited relatives in Buckingham on Sunday.

Miss Emma Haar is leaving on Wednesday to vi.it relatives in Pennsylvania.

Justice stoff to cooperate in tax investigation.

Gen. Eisenhower in Rome to urge speed in arms build-up.

Michigan farmer is crowned the "wheat king" for the year.

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A Short Column by

From where I sit ... *by* Joe Marsh

"Fair and Square"

We've just had a political campaign with everything from a torchlight parade to a seek-and-seek ballot box race.

Rusty Robinson, with no campaign funds, planned his Election Eve speech for the Square. Slim McCormick, who owns the Palace movie house, was finishing up his campaign in Pioneer Hall.

Then it began to rain. Rusty's political career was finking out in the damp when Slim showed up to say that Robinson people could meet in his theatre—for nothing. "I want to beat Rusty," Slim said "but certainly not with rain!"

From where I sit, you've got to give Slim credit for acting on his belief that everyone has a right to be heard—just as everyone has a right to his own opinions and tastes. Maybe you like hot coffee, for instance, when you "take a break." Well, my vote goes for a refreshing glass of beer. After all, we're lucky to be living in a free country where we can have our own preferences!

Joe Marsh

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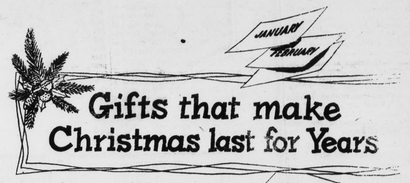

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